

## **BRIEFING NOTES**

<b>NAME OF GROUP:</b>	PLANNING COMMISSION
<b>DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:</b>	Wednesday, August 21, 2013, 1:30 p.m., Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10 <sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Nebraska
<b>MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Cathy Beecham, Michael Cornelius, Tracy Corr, Dennis Scheer, Chris Hove, Jeanelle Lust and Ken Weber (Lynn Sunderman absent); Marvin Krout, Steve Henrichsen, Christy Eichorn, Brandon Garrett, Jean Preister and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department.
<b>STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING:</b>	"How to Navigate the Planning Department Web Page"

This presentation occurred immediately following the adjournment of the regular Planning Commission meeting held on Wednesday, August 21, 2013.

Christy Eichorn and Brandon Garrett of the Planning staff demonstrated navigation of the Planning Department Web page. This Web page is extremely robust in the amount of information available and the way that it is organized.

The Planning Department Web page can be found at [lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov) (Keyword = plan) and includes information on Development Review, Long Range Planning and Information Technology Services. There are links to the various boards and committees which are staffed by the Planning Department and many reports, tools and references, including the Development Viewer.

Development Review explains how development is done and includes eplan submittals, Finance Warranty Bonds, Forms and Fees, Planning Application Tracking Services (PATs), recent code amendments, subdivision, vacation of public ways and zoning.

The Long Range Planning section includes Map Shop (pre-made printable maps based on various geographics) including Future Land Use Map, Zoning Map, Voting Precincts, Council Districts, LPS Districts, flood standards, street maps, trails map, etc. The Sectional Plat Maps are now available through the Development Viewer. There are links to the Street Directory, interactive GIS tools, and Neighborhood and Homeowner Associations. There are various links to the Lincoln MPO (transportation planning for the Metropolitan Planning Organization) and the meetings of the MPO Technical Committee and MPO Officials Committee, Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Transportation Demand Management Study, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Capital Plan. The Long Range Planning Division works on the Comprehensive Plan and

subarea plans, the LRTP and Capital Improvements Program, and the Historic Preservation Commission and Urban Design Committee are staffed by the Long Range Planning division.

The link to "Reports, Tools and References" includes background studies; old Comprehensive Plans; Community Indicators Reports; demographic data, including projections; land use data, including construction reports; annual residential report; Planning Self-Assessment; subarea plans; and the plans for the towns and villages in Lancaster County.

Eichorn then demonstrated and explained the links to:

- Use Groups

- GIS Viewer - information from County Assessor Website.

- Natural Resources Viewer showing endangered species, wetlands, soil types

- Historic Preservation Viewer

- Neighborhood and Homeowner Association Viewer

- Capital Improvements Viewer

Eichorn explained that the Planning Department is trying to find ways to make the information easier to find and welcomes any feedback in order to provide better service on the Website.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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